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Applicant : Marcy Casement, et al.  
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 Title : TELEVISION SCHEDULE SYSTEM  
 WITH ACCESS CONTROL  
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

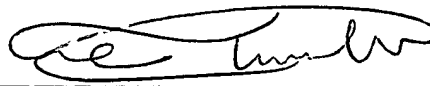
Page 1, line 5, before "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" insert:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation of Application No. 09/343,311, filed June 30, 1999, which is a continuation of 08/654,997, filed on May 29, 1996 now issued as U.S. Pat. No. 5,969,748. --

Respectfully submitted,  
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